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DMS MILK AND GHEE
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the quantum of milk and ghee produced before and after hike in prices, separately;

(b) the quantum of milk and ghee sold during pre-increased price and after;

(c) the loss being suffered for the machinery lying under-utilisation and not curtailing the strength of employees;

(d) the manner in which the previous loss of Rs.900 crores be fulfilled;

(e) whether the Government propose to make full utilisation of machinery and employees; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a) & (b): the average production/sale of milk and ghee before and after the hike in prices is indicated in the table given below:

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Period    Milk (in lakh litre/day) Ghee(in M.Ts.)


Before price hike   3.96 3.95   396 372

(Nov.99 to Feb. 2000)
After price hike   2.21 2.18   148 201

(March 2000 to June 2000)
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(c): There is no under-utilisation of employees in Delhi Milk Scheme. Loss due to under utilisation of machinery is difficult to quantify.

(d): The previous loss of Delhi Milk Scheme is provisionally arrived at Rs.553.14 crores upto March, 2000 and the ;loss is fulfilled by the Government through budgetary support on yearly basis.

(e) & (f): To make full utilisation of machinery, DMS has taken many steps to increase the sale of milk such as increase in commission to concessionaires/depot agents; incentive for purchase of bulk milk, simplification of procedure for issue of Home Delivery Cards, extension in opening and closing timing of booths, opening of new channel for bulk supply of milk, conversion of booths into All Day Milk Stalls, empowering of field officers to appoint concessionaires/agents; and extension of area for supply of DMS etc.